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Dear Mr. Snow,

I have comments which I request that you enter in the formal record for your *Draft Programmatic Environment Impact Report and Statement*.

It is essential that the Cal/Fed Bay/Delta program undergo revision. It makes no sense to build any new or expanded dams, reservoirs or canals during the first 7 years of the program. In fact it should be considering the removal of dams. The alternative is to look to the future of the entire ecology by increasing efforts and investment in ground water management, water conservation, and the efficient use of water resources. We need to worry about the proper management to assure the drinking water treatment is optimal. This requires that prevention of pollution at the source. We must consider the need of all types of life people, plants, trees and wildlife. We are loosing our fisheries. We must provide guarantees of increased fresh water flows and care for the land about the rivers and bays to restore them and assure the return of fisheries.

Finally what possible justification is there to ask the taxpayers to bear the burden of any subsidy to expand dams, reservoirs, or canals. The report remains fixed on the present irresponsible uses of our water resources. We want our children and subsequent generations to have an environment that will protect them and all species.

Sincerely yours

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